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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN NAIRA RATE

REF: LAGOS 4860 AND PREVIOUS

- 1. FOR FIRST TIME IN OVER A YEAR CENTRAL BANK HAS LOWERED THE VALUE OF THE NAIRA VIS-A-VIS THE DOLLAR. ON AUGUST 4 BUYING RATE WAS LOWERED FROM DOLS 1.6495 TO DOLS 1.6457 AND SELLING RATE FROM DOLS 1.6413 TO DOLS 1.6375. ON AUG. 11 RATES WERE FURTHER LOWERED, TO DOLS 1.6416 BUYING AND DOLS 1.6334 SELLING.
- 2. THIS MOVE UNDOUBTEDLY REFLECTS RECENT STRENGTHENING OF DOLLAR AGAINST OTHER MAJOR CURRENCIES AND REVERSES A TREND BEGUN APRIL 1974 WHICH SAW 8 PERCENT APPRECIATION OF NAIRA AGAINST DOLLAR. NAIRA HAS CONTINUED TO MOVE UP AGAINST STERLING AND IS NOW WORTH 12 PERCENT MORE IN TERMS OF STERLING THAN IT WAS IN APRIL 1974.

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